WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ORDER NO. 2617

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served October 9, 1984

Application of DSR INTERNATIONAL,)
INC., for Special Authorization to)
Conduct Charter Operations Pursuant)
to Contract — USDA

Case No. CP-84-08

By application filed October 4, 1984, DSR International, Inc., seeks authorization to transport employees of the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and persons travelling on official business with APHIS, together with mail, express and baggage, in the same vehicle with passengers, in charter operations pursuant to contract with APHIS, between 6505 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Md., the intersection of Toledo Road and Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Md., the intersection of 12th Street and Independence Avenue, S.W., and points on that part of Independence Avenue, S.W., between South Capitol Street and 12th Street S.W., Washington, D.C.

The contract between APHIS, on the one hand, and, on the other, a joint venture of DSR and Dynamic Travel Services, Inc., calls for an estimated 260 days of service during the period October 1, 1984, through September 30, 1985. Each day of operations involves 10 round trips at a price of \$309.01 a day. Two 15-passengers vans, plus a backup vehicle are required.

DSR is a Maryland corporation; we are not told whether it has registered to do business in the District of Columbia as a foreign corporation. The corporate balance sheet, as of August 31, 1984, shows current assets of \$39,899, total assets of \$167,399, current liabilities of \$11,824 and no long-term liabilities. Under the APHIS contract, DSR expects \$80,343 in operating revenues, another \$4,000 from renting out its vehicles (presumably on weekends and holidays), operating expenses of \$65,738, income taxes of \$4,651 and a net income of \$13,954. Applicant has ordered three 15-passenger vans which have not yet been delivered. An appropriate certificate of insurance was filed with the application.

Applicant states that it is "totally familiar" with the Commission's rules, regulations and requirements. It is not now, nor has it been in the past, a party to any fitness proceeding.

The contracting officer for APHIS submitted a notarized letter which does not comply with Regulation No. 70-04. Filing of an appropriate affidavit will be directed.

Inasmuch as a contract has been executed for the transportation of employees pursuant to contract with their employer between points within the Metropolitan District for a period in excess of 181 days, the application appears amenable to processing under Commission Regulation No. 70. */ Consequently, notice of this application must be published and opportunity given for the filing of protests. Protests, if any, must be written, sworn and notarized, and must contain all evidence and argument upon which the protestant would rely.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That DSR International, Inc., publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission no later than Wednesday, October 10, 1984.
- 2. That applicant shall file an affidavit of such publication with the Commission no later than Tuesday, October 16, 1984.
- 3. That applicant file an original and four copies of (a) an affidavit from the contracting office at APHIS in compliance with Commission Regulation No. 70-04 and (b) proof that it is registered to do business in the District of Columbia as a foreign corporation no later than Tuesday, October 16, 1984.
- 4. That any person desiring to protest this application shall file a notarized protest in conformance with Commission Regulation No. 70-06 at the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, no later than Monday, October 21, 1984, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest on Daniel Minchew, Vice President, DSR International, Inc., Suite 404, 910 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006

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FOR THE COMMISS

REGOVE PAUL BARTH

Acting Executive Director

^{*/} See Order No. 2004, served June 20, 1979.